

Federal Emergency Management Agency

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA)

for the Construction of the Pueblo of Santa Ana Fire Station

Pueblo of Santa Ana, Sandoval County, New Mexico

**FEMA American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Assistance to Firefighters,
Station Construction Grant (ARRA –SCG)**

FEMA Grant # EMW-FC-03351

Interested persons are hereby notified that the Sandoval County Fire Department has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Assistance to Firefighters, Station Construction Grant for program funding under Section 601 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. The FEMA grants funds under this program for activities which help to improve security and reduce security risks to United States ports.

FEMA proposes to provide funding to the Sandoval County Fire Department for the construction of Fire Station located on the Pueblo of Santa Ana. The proposed site is located at 0.35 mile north of the intersection of U.S. Highway 550 and Tamaya Boulevard on the Pueblo of Santa Ana, Sandoval County, New Mexico. The proposed project would be located on a 2.87 acre site on Tamaya Boulevard and outside the 100-year and 500-year floodplain. The project will enhance resident/firefighter safety, decrease the time needed to respond to the Pueblo of Santa Ana, citizens in the northwestern portions of the county, and provide mutual aid to neighboring counties.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), Executive Order 11988, Executive Order 11990, and the implementing regulations of FEMA, an Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared to assess the potential impacts of the Proposed Action on the human and natural environment. The Draft EA summarizes the purpose and need, alternatives, affected environmental, and potential environmental consequences for the proposed action. The Draft EA is available for comment and can be viewed and downloaded from FEMA's website at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region6.shtm>, Sandoval County Fire Department's website <http://www.sandovalfire.org/> or viewed at the following locations from August 9 through 23: Tribal Administration Building, Pueblo of Santa Ana (Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm), the Placitas Library (Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm), and the Sandoval County Fire Department Administration Building (Monday-Friday 9:00am to 5:00 pm), all located in Sandoval County, New Mexico:

- Tribal Administration Building, 02 Dove Road, Santa Ana Pueblo, Sandoval County, NM
- Placitas Library, 435 Highway 165, Placitas, Sandoval County, NM
- Sandoval County Fire Department Administration, 314 Melissa Road, Bernalillo, Sandoval County, NM

The comment period will end 15 days from the initial notice publication date of (August 11, 2010). Written comments on the Draft EA can be mailed, emailed, or faxed to the contact below. If no substantive comments are received, the Draft EA will become final and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will be issued for the project. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in the final documents.

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